

Draft
Village Vision Action Plan
Categories to Focus on

- I. A place is not a place without people: decide whether you want people to live in the Village or if you simply want the Village to be a place where people want/need to come to work or play. How can a Village “place” meet the needs of residents in the next ten, twenty or more years, given the demographic profiles for NH that many of you have seen presented recently? Decide these things first.
- II. Identify unique aspects of the Village that you want to emphasize or save.
- III. If your vision includes facilitating vitality or common sense development, look at what kind of draw fits the Village. i.e. anchor development? (such as the approved plan for a micro-distillery at the former Townsend property) knowing that, do you want to identify other potential properties for complimentary or similar development. (Idea: would a micro-distillery and the potential for a micro-brewery just down the road in the Village make sense?) How much does the Town assist?
- IV. Municipal Parking central to the Village so that one may park to walk to any planned outside public spaces or inside public places such as parks or greens, stores, banks, post offices, restaurants, services, farmers’ markets or special venues like special events, museums or monuments.
- V. If so, consider walking paths for interconnectedness, not necessarily just linear sidewalks along the road. i.e. parking to the places mentioned above.
- VI. Dealing with the highway: is simply getting the vehicles through from point a to point b (no village destination) the most important thing?
 1. Collaboration with NHDOT
 2. Is there a need for a cross road? Who could plan it? Who could build it or fund it? Developers? Town?
 3. Providing for a shared facility
 4. Is the Village a different kind of highway than more rural sections?
 5. How can the message that the Village is a different kind of place be strengthened to those just passing through? Streetscape, street trees, entry treatments, landscaping? Parking on the street, people presence?
 6. How does safety for other users of the highway facility fit in to number 4, above?
- VII. Is Village Sewer needed? If so, is it doable, affordable, phasable? Who could build it, potential partners, grant money?

- VIII. Is Village Water system needed? If so, is it doable, affordable, phasable? Would filtration work? Who could build it, potential partners, grant money?
- IX. Underground Utilities: Power, Communications
- X. Other Infrastructure-lighting, amenities, inside public spaces
- XI. Landscaping-street trees, greens & parks
- XII. Existing historic or revered buildings: adaptively reuse, move or raze?
- XIII. Is there a need to revise ordinances and regulations?
- XIV. Your Vision needs a concept plan or several alternative concepts for vetting to the public once you settle on the vision in each of the components above. (examples are in the Village Vitality Charrette Report)

The group should take these components (and more or less as you will decide) and discuss with the goal to write a vision paragraph for each one, and then move on to the next, etc. You may find that some have to be revisited because many are interrelated. Please write down your paragraphs for committee approval purposes and for developing the final report to the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen.